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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the non-Final Official Action, Paper No. 5, dated July 5, 2002, please amend the above-captioned patent application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~The forevacuum pump 13 is usefully a single-stage "pump", the forevacuum pump 30 is developed as a two-stage "pump". Pump 30 is equipped with a gas ballast device. With valve 31 open, air (or also inert gas) streams into pump 30.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~For depositing the sniffing probe a holder 54 is provided. Such is either fastened on the film leak detector 1 or developed as a separate stand. It comprises a void 55 which, when the probe 51 is deposited, contains the sniffing tip. In addition is provided a sealing ring 56 which seals the void 55 against the handle 52 when the probe 51 is deposited. Succeeding void 55 is a line 57, which communicates across~~

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